

Amendments to the Specification:

Please replace the paragraph beginning at page 13, line 16 with the following rewritten paragraph:

Fig. 8 shows a signal processing circuit provided for the portable audio recording and playback apparatus shown in Fig. 7. The same symbols as those used in Fig. 2 are assigned to the portions corresponding to those shown in Fig. 28. In Fig. 8, an electrode 39 (corresponding to the electrode 21 shown in Fig. 1) is used for receiving a signal sent from the audio-signal transmission apparatus 200. A signal input through the electrode 39 is sent to a demodulator 72 through a band-pass filter 71 and demodulated. The band-pass filter 71 passes only signals having frequencies in the vicinity of 11 MHz. The audio-signal transmission apparatus 200 transmits, for example, converted digital signals (may transmit analog signals although they have noise). The input signal is waveform-shaped by a comparator 73 and sent to an audio-signal processing circuit 74. The audio-signal processing circuit 74 restores the audio data (original data) or the original analog audio signal according to the received signal. The musical data is sent to an audio-signal playback section 30 and recorded. The Moving Picture Coding Experts Group layer 3 (MPEG layer 3, or MP3) method can be used as a recording method.